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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

Morning Meeting of 7 October 1965

25X1 [] of OCI gave a background briefing on South and Southwest Africa.

DD/I noted completion of SOP's for the CIA Operations Center. DCI advised that senior officials should be generally familiar with these SOP's and he also suggested that DD/I ensure a rotation program which would expose DD/I analysts to work in the Operations Center.

25X1 [] noted that a mid-course correction had been made and Lunik VII is scheduled to impact (probably a soft landing) on the moon about 6:00 p.m. today. This word has been passed to the White House. (See Action 1)

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25X1 [] tabled a memorandum on preliminary assessment of the take from CORONA [] The most significant finding was a new tent city at Lop Nor.

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DD/S reported receipt of a letter from James Rowley who wants, and will be given, []

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25X1 DD/S referred to a failure yesterday of the automatic relay switch [] traffic was disrupted for a time, is now being processed by hand and, as of this morning, is back to normal. Work and investigation continues in an effort to fix the switch. DCI suggested that the investigation be conducted with full regard to security implications.

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In answer to DCI inquiry, Houston reported on the current status of efforts to drum up new meetings with our Congressional subcommittees. No dates have yet been set. At DDCI inquiry, Houston said that ~~no Rep Mahon~~ senator yet has signed the letter on the CIA budget.

Parrott reported on his discussions with General Taylor yesterday on ways and means of improving CIA briefings of the PFIAB and its panels. (See Action 3)

25X1 [] reported that Far Eastern reconnaissance weather remains poor. He also referred to the need to intensify intelligence work on liquid rocket fuels, including the naming of a subpanel to broaden the work of the Hyland Panel. DD/S&T plans to confer with DCI on this.

25X1 ADDP noted a report from a "reliable" source []
25X1 [] that Che Guevara is in Argentina working with
Brazilian dissidents.

25X1 [] (See Action 4)

25X1 There was a discussion of two matters which will come before the 303 Committee meeting today. DDCI noted that State Department will concur with the proposal to conduct U-2 reconnaissance over Cambodia [] and there was reference to DCI's intention to dissent from the CIA paper, essentially proposed by Ambassador Martin, requesting

25X1 DDCI noted DD/P's query [] asking permission to continue his scheduled trip to Southeast Asia. It was agreed he could proceed.

DDCI reported on a chat with Tom Hughes yesterday. Secretary Rusk has been in contact with Sulzberger on the New York Times' plan to do a story on CIA. Hughes also reported that the Secretary made an eloquent defense of the Agency in a session with UPI editors recently. Hughes will send us a transcript of the Secretary's remarks when it is available. DDCI said he plans to meet again with Hughes to follow up

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on the New York Times matter early next week. In this connection, ADDP noted a report that AP, at least in the Far East, appears to be working up a similar story on the Agency.

ACTIONS:

1. DCI wants to make certain that word about Lunik VII is passed to Webb at NASA. (DD/I -- in the course of the day)

2. DCI asks clarification of the [] matter and wants to be advised particularly as to whether he was conferring with []
[] He suggested a check be made with Assistant Secretary Vaughn. (DD/I -- in the course of the day)

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3. DCI asks follow-up to ensure that General Taylor and Gordon Gray are invited to the Agency for full discussions and briefings as often as feasible. (D/DCI/NIFE)

4. ADDP is to contact Bill Bundy today to discuss []
[] ADDP and DD/S are to coordinate the handling of []
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